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advancement of LB 427 to E & R Initial. Seeing no lights on, Senator Pederson, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask that the LB 427 be advanced. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You've heard the closing on advancement of LB 427. The question before the body is, shall LB 427 advance to E & R Initial? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. The question before the body is advancement of LB 427. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance LB 427.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion is successful. LB 427 does advance. Mr. Clerk, LB 614.

CLERK: LB 614 is a bill by Senator Pahls. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 18 of this year, referred to Appropriations, advanced to General File. I do have Appropriations Committee amendments pending, Mr. President. (AM0997, Legislative Journal page 1336.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Pahls, you're recognized to open on LB 614.

SENATOR PAHLS: Mr. President and members of the body, I think I am the tail end of the appropriations bill. This is what we started it with and we will end with my bill with two pages. This bill, LB 614, authorizes the State Electrical Board to grant a one-time salary adjustment for the employees of the State Electrical Division. This adjustment is in addition to any approved wage agreement. The impact of this adjustment shall not exceed the appropriations and salary limitations authorized for the division for fiscal years 2004, 2005, and 2006. This section of the bill, which is Section 1, will sunset in July 1 of 2007. Section 2, subsequent to the implementation of the adjustment, the State Electrical Board, with its executive director, shall have authority to establish the starting salary for vacant positions and may also adjust the